

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF EMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HELD IN THE EMERY COUNTY COURTHOUSE

JANUARY 19, 2016

Present at the meeting was Commission Chairman Keith Brady, Commissioner Paul Cowley, Commissioner Ethan Migliori, Attorney Mike Olsen, Deputy Clerk/Auditor Carol Cox, elected officials and citizens.

CONSENT AGENDA

(1)

APPROVAL OF CHECK EDIT LIST, REQUISITIONS AND DISPOSITIONS.

The Warrant Check Edit List #239155 through and including #239275 was presented for payment.

Requisitions were presented for the following:

<u>REQUISITION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1-16	Boiler repairs Aquatic Center	\$7,726.00
2-16	Quantum DAT160 Internal DAT back up drive kit Communications/Sheriff	\$ 618.11

One disposition was presented for two conference tables from Justice Court.

(2)

APPROVAL OF COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES DATED JANUARY 5, 2016.

(3)

APPROVAL OF 3% WAGE INCREASE FOR ROBERT RILEY AFTER SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE 6 MONTH ORIENTATION PERIOD WHEN BEING PROMOTED TO SERGEANT. EFFECTIVE 1-31-16.

(4)

APPROVAL OF 3% WAGE INCREASE FOR BRANDON HESS AND DANIELLE FARLEY AFTER SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE 6 MONTH ORIENTATION

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PERIOD. EFFECTIVE 1-31-16.

(5)

APPROVAL OF 3% WAGE INCREASE FOR LYNETTE JOHNSON AFTER SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE 6 MONTH ORIENTATION PERIOD. EFFECTIVE 1-31-16.

(6)

NOTIFICATION THAT BROOKLYN OLSEN AND KAITLYN CARTER HAVE BEEN HIRED AS PART-TIME LIFEGUARDS WORKING 19 3/4 HOURS PER WEEK AT WAGE GRADE 3.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Paul Cowley, seconded by Commissioner Ethan Migliori, and the motion passed.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

(1)

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA.

Nothing was pulled for discussion.

(2)

CHAD BOOTH, DISCUSSION OF SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT WITH CHAD BOOTH & CO. FOR THE COUNTY SEAT. APPROVAL OF SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT.

Chad Booth, *The County Seat*, came before the Board of Commissioners to discuss a sponsorship agreement for *The County Seat*. He addressed questions from the Commissioners and Attorney Mike Olsen regarding liquidated damages, air time, and issues of value and benefit to Emery County citizens. Mr. Booth explained that the program runs 52 one half hour programs a year. The company relies on the counties for content to put into development. For example, Coal is of importance to Carbon, Emery Counties as well as other counties in the state. Coal is an important content to develop a program around. This issue affects the state and issues need to be presented to the people of the rest of the state. He added that 75% of what they talk about are issues that affect rural Utah. However, counties like Utah County and Salt Lake County need issues that are of value to their citizens as well. Public Lands is a main issue of discussion and is of concern to the citizens of the entire state. Commissioner Cowley commented that he gets the impression from watching news programs that the people of the Wasatch Front think that power plants cause pollution. Mr. Booth added that his program gives people a perspective on these issues that they would otherwise get. The program *At Your Leisure* began from the issue of road closures. There was no one to speak to responsible ATV use. The show has generated a new

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image for ATV use in the state. In the process they have become more involved in road closures and other issues from rural Utah that provide perspective to the people of Wasatch Front especially those individuals who like to recreate in rural Utah. Legislators follow his show and use it as a tool for lobbying, developing legislation and platforms. He added that the show includes participation for all 29 counties in Utah and some in Idaho, Arizona and Nevada.. But it takes participation from all 29 counties to keep the program going. They exist on a very tight budget. Most of the budget goes to pay for air time. If we become an affiliate of a channel they will have editing rights to our content and we want to put the issues out there, unedited. If even three counties drop out of participation the show could not keep functioning. That's how tight their budget is. Commissioner Migliori commented that this show is a hidden advantage to Emery County. It is the best lobbyist the county has going. It is a voice that has access. Mr. Booth continued by adding that he is at the legislature on a regular basis to stay abreast of the current issues affecting the state. He regularly does appearances on Channel 4 to broadcast on behalf of rural Utah issues. Mr. Booth brought Piute County Commissioner Darin Bushman to the meeting with him to discuss the program. Mr. Bushman stated that *The County Seat* is a gem that he hoped we can keep going. What you get out of your participation in the company depends on how much you ask for. It is advantageous to go to the legislature with the issues that are presented on the show. Ask yourself how to utilize the program to move your issues to the forefront of discussion with your legislators. Commissioner Migliori added that previous broadcasts are available on line. He encouraged everyone to check them out. Commissioner Migliori made a motion to approve a sponsorship agreement with Chad Booth & Company for *The County Seat*. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Paul Cowley. The motion passed.

(3)

CHRIS WOOD, DWR, PRESENTATION OF PILT CHECK FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY UDWR. UPDATE OF DIVISION ACTIVITIES.

Chris Wood, DWR came before the Board of Commissioners to present a check in the amount of \$2,610.71 representing the property owned by Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. He indicated that the division owns 5,302 acres of land in Emery County mostly along the San Rafael River. They manage Desert Lake with a full time biologist manager. As an agency, last year, they redid the mule deer herd unit plan. They held an open house in several locations in the area to get input from the public for creation of the plan. The doe to buck ratio is 15/17. They received suggestions from the public to split the herd units. However, after several considerations from those opposed to the split, decided to keep it as one unit. The south end of the Manti is not doing as well as the north end. They will be transplanting deer from the Bountiful area to the Joe's Valley area over the next few weeks in a effort to increase the herd on the south of the Manti. Mule Deer herds statewide are seeing an increase. The pheasant release program in Emery County was successful. They will be treating Ferron Drainage and restock in the next few weeks. The water quality issues from Seely Fire is no longer much of an issue. Huntington Creek seems to healing itself. They will continue to restock Huntington Creek.

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Commissioner Cowley asked if the opposition to splitting the herd came from locals or hunters from out of the area that come to the Manti to hunt? Wade Paskett, DWR indicated that the public was not in favor of splitting the herds. He stated he felt the opposition came from a mixture of local and hunters who frequent the Manti. They got the word from the hunters not to do it. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Wood and Mr. Paskett for their update of division activity and PILT check.

(4)

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR CASTLE DALE LIBRARY TO APPLY FOR A RURAL GATEWAYS GRANT.

Commissioner Brady indicated that the Castle Dale Library requested approval to apply for a Rural Gateways Grant in the amount of \$3,500.00 to train workers as science facilitators. Commissioner Paul Cowley made a motion to approve Castle Dale Library to apply for a Rural Gateways Grant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ethan Migliori. The motion passed.

(5)

RATIFICATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROJECT APPLICATION FOR LONE TREE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT.

Merrill Johansen, J & T Engineering explained a Local Government Project Application for Lone Tree Bridge Replacement. He indicated that UDOT evaluates bridges in the state and give them an efficiency rating. This bridge is south of I-70 that accesses the Muddy Creek for tourist and cattlemen. UDOT has given the bridge a low efficiency rating. Merrill stated he has been working with the Road District and the Road Department on this application. With inflation the project is expected to be \$1,260,000.00 with a 93% grant and a 7% match of \$85,302.00. The project would be scheduled for 2019. He will be meeting with the Highway Committee the first of February to see if we qualify for this project. Commissioner Ethan Migliori made a motion to ratify approval of a Local Government Project application for Lone Tree Bridge Replacement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Paul Cowley. The motion passed.

(6)

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE HUNTINGTON AIRPORT FIVE (5) YEAR PLAN.

Commissioner Ethan Migliori made a motion to approve Resolution 1-19-16A adopting the Huntington Airport Five (5) Year Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Paul Cowley. The motion passed.

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DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF HUNTINGTON AIRPORT MANAGEMENT CONTRACT.

Attorney Mike Olsen explained that the contract has gone through the review process. They have added three additional items to the existing contract. The contract is now ready for approval. Commissioner Paul Cowley made a motion to approve of Huntington Airport Management Contract. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ethan Migliori. The motion passed.

(8)

DISCUSSION AND DECISION OF LOCATION AND STONE COLOR FOR THE MINER'S MEMORIAL.

The Commissioners discussed placement options for the Miner's Memorial. Kelly Larsen from Worley-Jensen Monument indicated that the stone needs to be ordered now especially if they choose black stone. Commissioner Migliori indicated that he liked the look of the monument in Price and wanted to go with the black stone. He stated that the dedication of the memorial is planned for June to coincide with the Emery County Fair. Mr. Larsen indicated that the location for the monument can be decided at a later date but the color of the stone needs to be determined now. The Commissioners were in agreement that the black stone was their preference. Commissioner Paul Cowley made a motion to choose black stone for the Miner's Memorial. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ethan Migliori. The motion passed.

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CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF \$100.00 DISCOUNT TOWARDS A FAMILY PASS AT THE EMERY COUNTY AQUATIC CENTER FOR ALL EMERY COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

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CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN EMERY COUNTY/BLM AND JARED JOHNSON FOR MAINTENANCE OF GOBLIN VALLEY ROAD FENCING PROJECT 2016.

Attorney Mike Olsen explained that the Interlocal Agreement between Emery County/BLM and Jared Johnson for maintenance of Goblin Valley Road Fencing Project 2016 has been reviewed and he has dealt with some issues. The agreement is now ready for approval. Commissioner Paul Cowley made a motion to approve of Interlocal Agreement between Emery County/BLM and Jared Johnson for maintenance of Goblin Valley Road Fencing Project 2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ethan Migliori. The motion passed.

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CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PERSONNEL  
POLICY OF EMERY COUNTY, UTAH TO CLARIFY THE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR  
2016.

Commissioner Ethan Migliori made a motion to approve Resolution 1-19-16B amending the Personnel Policy of Emery County, Utah to clarify the holiday schedule for 2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Paul Cowley. The motion passed.

(12)

APPROVE REAPPOINTMENT OF JOY BARTON, KEVIN JENSEN, AND MICHAEL  
MCCANDLESS TO NORTH EMERY WATER USERS SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT.

Commissioner Paul Cowley made a motion to approve reappointment of Joy Barton, Kevin Jensen, and Michael McCandless to North Emery Water Users Special Service District. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ethan Migliori. The motion passed.

(13)

APPROVE REAPPOINTMENT OF MACK HUNTINGTON, MARY KAVA, JULIE  
JOHANSEN, AND BILL DELLOS TO THE EMERY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION.

Commissioner Ethan Migliori made a motion to approve appointment of Mack Huntington, Mary Kava, Julie Johansen, and Bill Dellos to the Emery County Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Paul Cowley. The motion passed.

(14)

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF KIM MCFARLANE TO THE PUBLIC LANDS COUNCIL.

Commissioner Paul Cowley made a motion to approve the appointment of Kim McFarlane to the Public Lands Council. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ethan Migliori. The motion passed.

(15)

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF ADELE JUSTICE TO THE EMERY COUNTY CARE AND  
REHABILITATION BOARD.

Commissioner Ethan Migliori made a motion to approve appointment of Adele Justice to the

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Emery County Care and Rehabilitation Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Paul Cowley. The motion passed.

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APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF ETHAN MIGLIORI AND RE-APPOINTMENT OF  
DAWNETTE TUTTLE, CHRISTINE JENSEN, CLIFFORD OVIATT, AND TALMA  
PEACOCK TO THE MUSEUM OF THE SAN RAFAEL BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Commissioner Ethan Migliori made a motion to approve appointment of Ethan Migliori and Re-appointment of Dawnette Tuttle, Christine Jensen, Clifford Oviatt, and Talma Peacock to the Museum of the San Rafael Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Paul Cowley. The motion passed.

(17)

APPROVAL OF ETHAN MIGLIORI TO THE EMERY COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Commissioner Paul Cowley made a motion to approve appointment of Ethan Migliori to the Emery County Housing Authority Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ethan Migliori. The motion passed.

(18)

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT AND  
CERTIFICATION.

Commissioner Ethan Migliori made a motion to approve of Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Paul Cowley. The motion passed.

(19)

COMMISSION/ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORT.

*Commissioner Brady*

Commissioner Brady reminded everyone of the Emery County Business Chambers Lunch and Learn on Wednesday at noon. The speaker will be Emery County Economic Development Director Jordan Leonard. He will speak on state and local incentives for businesses looking to expand.

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*Commissioner Migliori*

Commissioner Migliori reported on working with several counties and UAC to look at Centrally Assessed Taxes finding ways to shorten the process and mitigate losses.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:\_\_\_\_\_ COMMISSIONER:\_\_\_\_\_